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Docket No. R2000-1

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
WITNESS TAUFIQUE TO INTERROGATORY OF
THE ALLIANCE OF NONPROFIT MAILERS
(ANM/USPS-T38-7)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the responses of witness Taufique to the following interrogatory of the Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers:
ANM/USPS-T38-7, filed on March 10, 2000.

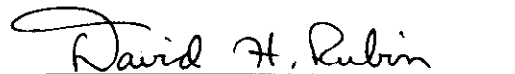
The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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TO INTERROGATORIES OF ALLIANCE OF NONPROFIT MAILERS**

ANM/USPS-T38-7. Note 1 to Schedule 421 of the Postal Service's proposed rates (USPS Request, Attachment B at 27) states that the rates in Schedule 421

also apply Nonprofit...and Classroom...rate categories. These categories receive a 5 percent discount on all components of postage except advertising pounds. Moreover, the 5 percent discount does not apply to commingled, nonsubscriber, nonrequestor, complimentary, and sample copy in excess of the 10 percent allowance under DMCS sections 412.34 and 413.42, or to Science of Agriculture mail.

- (a) Please confirm that the individual rates shown in the proposed Rate Schedule 421 (USPS Request, Attachment B at 25-26) do not reflect the 5 percent discount. If you do not confirm, explain fully.
- (b) Please produce a table, in the same format as Rate Schedule 421, showing the specific rates proposed by the Postal Service for nonprofit periodical mail.

RESPONSE:

- a. Confirmed.
- b. The attached chart provides the information requested. It should be noted that this chart was developed only to fulfill the requirement of this interrogatory and does not constitute the Postal Service's proposal. The Postal Service's proposal includes only one Outside County rate schedule with a 5 percent discount for Nonprofit and Classroom mailers on all components of postage except advertising pounds. It should also be noted that the rates in the Attachment would not calculate the exact same postage as proposed by the Postal Service due to rounding of rates in each cell.

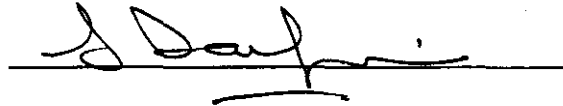
Periodicals

Nonprofit Subclass

	Postage Rate Unit	ANM/USPS-T38-7 Rate (cents)
Per Pound		
Nonadvertising Portion:	Pound	17.7
Advertising Portion:		
Delivery Office	Pound	18.0
SCF	Pound	21.0
1&2	Pound	24.7
3	Pound	26.3
4	Pound	30.2
5	Pound	36.1
6	Pound	42.3
7	Pound	49.9
8	Pound	56.3
Per Piece		
Less Nonadvertising Factor		6.3
Required Preparation	Piece	30.2
Presorted to 3-digit	Piece	26.0
Presorted to 5-digit	Piece	21.1
Presorted to Carrier Route	Piece	13.4
Discounts:		
Prepared to Delivery Office	Piece	2.0
Prepared to SCF	Piece	1.1
High Density	Piece	2.4
Saturation	Piece	4.1
Automation Discounts for Automation Compatible Mail		
From Required:		
Prebarcoded letter size	Piece	5.3
Prebarcoded flats	Piece	3.0
From 3-Digit:		
Prebarcoded letter size	Piece	4.3
Prebarcoded flats	Piece	2.6
From 5-Digit:		
Prebarcoded letter size	Piece	4.6
Prebarcoded flats	Piece	2.7

DECLARATION

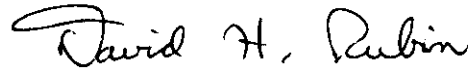
I, Altaf H. Taufique, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Taufique', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with a large initial 'A' and a cursive 'Taufique'.

Dated: MARCH 24, 2000

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David H. Rubin". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

David H. Rubin

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